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## ROAD INFORMATION ON SANTA MARIA 6-LANE AVAILABLE TO MOTORISTS

**SANTA MARIA** – Motorists wishing to get current project information on the Santa Maria 6-lane widening project may now call **1-888-SB-ROADS**.

The traffic hotline will provide recorded updates on this ongoing \$32 million project to widen Hwy. 101 from four to six lanes from Santa Maria Way to the Route 135 Overcrossing, which is scheduled to be completed in mid-2008.

Trees and shrubs have been cleared for three of five soundwalls to be constructed.

Temporary striping and marking is set for Thursday, Nov. 9 from 9 pm to 6 am. The No.

1 (fast lane) will be closed in both directions from Santa Maria Way to the Santa

Barbara/San Luis Obispo County line. Motorists can expect delays up to five minutes.

This project will also widen the Santa Maria Way, Jones Street and Main Street undercrossings to accommodate the additional lanes and wider shoulders.

For more information regarding this project, the public can call the toll-free road information hotline at 1-888 SB-ROADS or Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs staff at 805-549-3318 or visit the Santa Maria 6-lane web site at:

http://www.dot.ca/dist05/projects/sm6lane/index.html



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